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Art Unit 1647

Attn: Mail Stop Amendment

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Application No. 09/918,589; Filed: July 30, 2001
For: **Fluorescence Polarization Assays for Screening Binding of Ligands of Steroid Hormone Receptors (As Amended)**
Inventors: Halbleib *et al.*
Our Ref: 0942.7200001/RWE/CMB

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Statement of Substance of Interview; and

2. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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Statement of Substance of Interview

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Sir:

Applicants note that an Interview Summary has been issued in the present matter. Hence, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.133(b) and MPEP § 713.04, Applicants' undersigned representative provides the following statement of the substance of the interview held with the Examiner in the above-indicated application.

The Examiner contacted the undersigned via telephone on May 17, 2006. The Examiner indicated that the Office is considering entry of the after-final amendments filed on May 8, 2006.

Applicants respectfully request that this statement be entered into the record. It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §

1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19 0036.

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